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**AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

In response to the Office Action mailed August 12, 2003 (the "Office Action"), and in accordance with the Rule of Practice, please enter the following amendments and consider the remarks below. Submitted herewith is a Petition for a three-month Extension of Time together with the requisite fee of \$475, which extends the deadline for filing the reply from November 12, 2003 to February 12, 2004. No other fees are believed to be due, however, should any fees be deemed necessary in connection with the filing of this document, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to deduct any such fees from Deposit Account No. 08-3038.